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## Home Again.

(See Cartoon.)
Young Canada has heen waiting anxiously for the return of Sir Jouns and the otber great men who went away across the ocean, because they promised to bring him some. thing nice from England, Now they have returned, and the little boy, all glowing with delightful anticipation, rushes to meet them and reccive the expected good things, but Dame Brown, the housekceper, steps forward and arrests the little fellow's enthusiasm by telling him that Sir Joms has brought Lim nothing; that the Ministerial mission to England turned out a complete and lamentable failure. This, however, is only spite on the old lady's part, for how does she know what may be in the salchels before the satchels arc opened? Young Canada has every confidence in his clever Uucle Jorn, and doesn't mind what poor old Dame Bhown may say. When those satchels are opened, he feels surc he will tind heaps of gold to build the Pacific Ruilway, aud lots of other beautiful and useful presents.

## The Governor General's Speech.

## at tire toronto club.

In rising to respond I do foel most
Profoundly grateful for your loyal toast, And tho' l've been at bauquets o'er and o'er I've Lever seen it better drunk before; I'm not surprised, however, for I know You love your Queen-respect, revere her so, You're ever ready, 'tis well understood, To drain a bumper-when the wine is good. Your compliments to me and my Louise, I'll take cum yreno salis, if you please. So far as $P m$ concerned, though I aver You couldn't say words sweet enough for her. We've been delighted with our visit here. With balls and shows and passes to the Fair; And standing, as I feel I am to-night, In presence of a company so bright(Who lead the city which leads ull the land, a city with a future great and grand,
Which even now is known to world-wide fame,
Connected as it is with Grrp's great name). I only wish I could find words, I do, To say how greatly we're obliged to you

For all the arches, bunting, gas and fuss You've been so good as to get up for us. Be well assurcd my interest in your state Is now, as in the past, extremely great, And though the N.P. was a bitter pill, Old England loves her wayward daughter still;
And now, lest I should over-strain my tether, I'll here remark you have delightful weather'; And glorious crops, in fact so very big-
That Par', I'm told, feeds paches to his pig. Talking of pigs, I think it very sad
That public life is looked upou as lyad,
And men of clcanly hands and wholesome scent
Feel indisposed to enter Parlizment,
Which sinould an object of ambition be
To men of every talent and degree.
I've understood- (of course I've not been there
Jike Doffern, belind the speaker's chair), I've learued it from reports-not Glabe or Mail,
Which sometimes in veracity may fail-
That foremost members of the Commons House
Have of't indulged in most outrageous rows, Which might be cured if makers of the law Would only fetch their wives to Octawa.
Again I think you for the toast, my dears,
And now I'm done. (Prolonged and hearty cheers).

## Caught!

Ceterfayo, the Zulu king, has been captured by Major Manten, of the 1st Dragoon Guards. Sir Garnet Wolselex will no doubt rejoice over this, but the rest of the world will go into mourning when the funny men begin to write about the royal captive suffering Marterdom, etc., etc., etc.

## One Contribution.

Personal anecdotes of the Princess Louise are now in order. The Hamilton Times relates how Her Royal Highncss once looked around in church when she was a young girl. Mr. Ghir therefore believes that the follow. ing little story will prove interesting to the public: One day when about cight jears old, Lourse was sitting at $n$ window in Windsor Castle, when a thy alighted on her royal sleeve. Being at the time intent on her Art studies, the Princess did not ob. serve the bold and dariug fly, when all at once, and without any apparent cause, it fiew away, ind hasa't since been seen. This is another lllustration of the genial good nature for which Her Royal Highness is faunous.

## The British Capitalist thus Chnokloth to Himself.

Hurrah! Hurrah! far across the sea, Pnirps' N. ${ }^{\prime}$. Elephant dances with glee, it thought it had got the best of me! it hadn't got tamed entirely, you see. It's awfully nice-in fact awfully jolly, to live by one's wits, but it's reckless folly. It can't be expected I'd be such a fool as to sell my goods without getting full- paynentin kind. I don'tiwant to buy. For Cauada's wretched stuffs I don't sigh. I want her grain and produce and "sich," but I'll not buy for nothing although $I$ am rich. I will buy from those nations who aren't so mean as to think at exchange I'm so wocfully grecu, that I'll pay hard cash when goods will do to purchase supplies and yield profit too. I don't care wohere I buy my goods. That's true; but then I've my own to sell, and Canada isn't quick out of the woods; her N.P's hardly begun to tell. Wait till she's got a lot of stuIf, enough for her home needs-aye, more than' enough, -and hasn't got produce or
fruits of the soll to feed her too numerous sons of toil. Then I shall rise in truth and might, not unkindly, but wishful to do the right, and teach her the lesson of wise trade laws-that men don't buy goods without some cause. If I con't have the grain I really need, and must take goods in pryment instead: I must have chese cheap because they are nasty, compared with mine. So don't he too hasty, dear Dhr. Pumpes, to invent N. Ps. that rest on nothiug, the people to please. If you will manufacture I don't ols. ject, if you do it well and don't reject the matcrial which the Dominion possesses, and take to utopinn Tiankee "gucsses" at laws of trade. These cian't be compelled, but move with a force which is never repelled, by foolish nostrums. Take this as your mot-to,-retire to cousider it, to some cool grot. to:-A nation's resources, by labour and skill formed into usefulness find ranks to fill all over the world, and need no protection, becanse they prove useful to cach and to all, if adapted for wear or for work in perfection. The nation that loves good work never can fall. Take hold of that motto with strong, steady grip, and bavish delusions. Just give them the slip.

Can there bo Anything in It?
The night was rude and dark, The wind did loud complain, None up but weather clerk, A making of it rain.
Not one but he and me,
Yes, and two fellows more,
Whom sudden I did see Come out of tavern door.
One of them there did say,
(I in the dark stood by)-
" Want to be rich?-you may Make just as much as I .
"This is the way 'tis done, New is the plau and gane Go strong A. number I, Into the building line.
" Build houses everywhere, Then fail-a div'dend pay, But sell some first, with care To put the cash away.
"Or to storekecping take, Or build a big grist-mill, Or aaything-but break On this formula still."
"But how shall I begin?"
Asked sad the other one:

- With pockets bare of tin, "Spe'lating cun' le donc."
"Oh, can't it?" asked his friend, "That clog don't hamper much,
There's folks to you will lend-Banks-'sociations-such.
" Make some ofticial trig, Ho ll lend-if-if-you hear,
Lie gets a bonus big.
Quite private: don't appear
"In balance sheet, I guess, And when they go to smash,
The public will express
Surprise they lent their casll
" On such security.
'Grave error,' 'twill be thought.
- Over-credulity!' And who can tell 'twas bought?
"The means are there, I say, To build or speculate."
The rascals went away,
I home, 'twas getting late.

